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SUBJECT: EVANS-NOVAK COLUMN ON U.S. DEFENSE STRATEGY

REF: DR. BRZEZINSKI-PEREZ TELECON, AUGUST 3

1. FOLLOWING TELCON, WE IMMEDIATELY PROVIDED ACTING NATO SECRETARY GENERAL PANSA WITH STATEMENT REAFFIRMING U.S. COMMITMENT TO FORWARD DEFENSE OF ALL OF WESTERN EUROPE, WHICH WE ATTRIBUTED TO A HIGH WHITE HOUSE SOURCE. PANSA EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION, SAID THE STATEMENT ACCORDED WITH HIS OWN ESTIMATE OF THE TRUE SITUATION AFTER READING THE EVANS-NOVAK COLUMN, AND WAS ESSENTIALLY WHAT HE HAD BEEN TELLING OTHERS. WE ALSO NOTIFIED THOSE NATO DELEGATIONS WHICH HAD NOT YET DEPARTED FOR THE DAY.

2. MISSION ALSO PROVIDED STATEMENT, WHICH WE ATTRIBUTED TO A HIGH WHITE HOUSE SOURCE, TO ALL MAJOR BRUSSELS-BASED WIRE SERVICES AND TO INDIVIDUAL NEWSMEN WHO HAD CALLED US DURING THE DAY.

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3. THIS MORNING WE ENSURED THAT SECRETARY BROWN'S REMARKS ON THE EVANS-NOVAK COLUMN CARRIED IN TODAY'S USIA WIRELESS FILE WERE DISTRIBUTED TO ALL NATO DELEGATIONS. NATO NEWS SUMMARY FOR TODAY ALSO CARRIES REUTER STORY CITING DENIALS OF EVANS-NOVAK COLUMN BY WHITE HOUSE AND DEPARTMENT. PEREZ

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